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SPEER, Douglas 184

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APPENDIX A

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION, SUBSCRIPTION, and STATISTICAL SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Date 2-23-84

Full name Douglas Speer
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 660 S. Champion #3

City Columbus State Ohio Zip Code 43223

Date of birth 04/54 (This is important and should be exact.)

Approximate age 29 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

Religion NOT KNOWN Nationality American

Occupation GROUP LEADER HINZELING MEMORIAL

Education —

Weight — Height — Race Black

Color of hair Brown Color of eyes Brown

Outstanding characteristics or interests WORKING WITH MENTALLY RETARDED

Married or single SINGLE Children NONE
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name —

Scouting connections:

Unit No.	City	State	Office	Date registered	Date resigned
684	Columbus	Ohio	SCOUTMASTER	9/30/83	2/1/84

Special recognition —

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons:

Reason specified on Police Report

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION,
AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR,
CONJECTURE, OR SPECULATION):

NOTED

FEB 14 '85

JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed

Council

[Signature]
SCOUT EXECUTIVE
COUNCIL 141

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April 30, 1985

Mr. B. W. Ussery
Scout Executive
Centreal Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Bryan Douglas Speer

Dear Ben:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

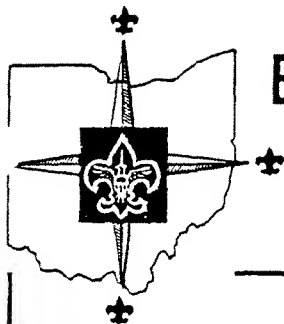
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cc: East Central Region

READY TO FILE
MAY 01 1985
ERIN O'RILEY

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Boy Scouts of America

Central Ohio Council #441

1901 East Dublin-Granville Road
Columbus, Ohio 43229
Telephone (614) 436-7200

October 8, 1984

Mr. Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75062-1296

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Paul,

In reference to your letter of September 24, 1984, Bryan Douglas Speer, Troop 684, was found guilty and sentenced to 7 to 25 years.

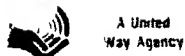
I talked to Assistant Prosecutor David Bosley, who prosecuted the case, on October 5, 1984 and he informed me that he was sentenced the first week in August.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Faris
Director of Camp Properties

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September 24, 1984

Mr. B W Ussery
Scout Executive
Central Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Bryan Douglas Speer

Dear Ben:

Earlier this year we had communication concerning the above named individual. He was Scout master of your Troop 684.

We would like to know if sentencing has taken place, since this will help us to close this file. We will then be able to give this case to our attorney for review to see if any other information is necessary.

Thanks for your help in this matter, so that we can have all the information we need for future refusal of registration.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: East Central Region

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SEP 25 1984

ERIN O'RILEY

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August 16, 1984

Mr. B. W. Usseery
Scout Executive
Central Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Bryan Douglas Speer

Dear Ben:

Earlier this year we had some communication concerning Bryan Douglas Speer. This individual was the Scoutmaster for Troop 684.

We would like to know whether sentencing has taken place concerning the molestating charges. This will help us to close our file and make certain that we have the information we need for refusal of further registration attempts.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: East Central Region

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AUG 16 1984
ERIN O'RILEY

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Dispatch 6/18/84

Former scoutmaster admits rape

By Mary Yost
Dispatch Court Reporter

A former scoutmaster accused of assaulting members of his Boy Scout troop, most of whom were mentally retarded, pleaded guilty today to rape.

Brian Douglas Speer, 30, of 791 S. Champion Ave., faces a possible prison sentence of 10 to 25 years.

Judge Patrick West ordered a psychiatric evaluation of Speer and set sentencing for July 31 in Franklin County Common Pleas Court.

The charge Speer admitted involved a 10-year-old boy who spent a weekend with Speer in his home in January. The boy reported to his father that Speer had engaged him in oral sex.

Assistant Prosecutor David Bosley told the judge that Speer told the boy not to tell anyone and he would take him anywhere he wanted to go.

After the plea was made, Bosley said outside the courtroom that no additional charges



File photo

Brian Douglas Speer

against Speer are expected. Speer has admitted molesting four other members of the scout troop but those victims would be unable to testify against him because they are mentally retarded, Bosley explained.

The boy involved in the single rape charge against Speer is not retarded but was in the troop to assist his younger, mentally retarded brother, Bosley noted.

Speer is free on bond pending sentencing.

Man's sex charge stuns friends

By Rick Bryant
Dispatch Police Reporter

People who knew and worked with ex-Scoutmaster Brian "Doug" Speer remember him as a soft-spoken, hard-working man who enjoyed helping and caring for mentally retarded children.

So, two years ago when Speer expressed interest in becoming a leader of Troop 684, made up mostly of retarded children, he was considered a perfect choice for the job.

LAST WEEK Scout officials, co-workers and friends were stunned to learn that Speer had been indicted on a charge of rape in connection with the molestation of members of his Boy Scout troops, including some who are retarded. The rape charge reportedly involves oral sex.

Speer was not available for comment, but acquaintances talked about the 29-year-old Columbus native.

One Scout official described Speer as "a very active and very good scoutmaster. As a professional and volunteer he had a good track record."

A former employee said Speer had a spotless record during his five years of caring for retarded children at Heinzerling Memorial Foundation, a residential treatment center on the West Side.

AND THE parents of Scouts in his troop, who worked closely with Speer for two years, never expressed a complaint.

That ended Jan. 17. That day a 10-year-old boy told his parents he had been molested by Speer. The complaint led to a police probe, which resulted in Speer's indictment April 13.

News of the indictment prompted the Central Ohio Council of the Boy Scouts of America to begin examining its process for selecting Scout leaders.

According to Peter Loscocco, public relations director for the council, a prospective scoutmaster must prove to troop sponsors that he believes in God; is willing to obey the Scout Oath; has good moral character; and possesses leadership abilities.

THE TROOP sponsor, Pauline

Kitchton, said she never "vouched for the man's character."

"I couldn't speak for the man's belief in God or moral character. I didn't even know him.

"The council recommended him to me and I just provided space for them to meet," said Kitchton, principal of West Central Training Center, where Troop 684 meets.

Kitchton said Speer was brought to her by the Scout council and that she never attested to Speer's character. But Loscocco said Kitchton signed papers that did.

LOSCOCO DEFENDED the selection process and said the case, unprecedented in the council's 74-year history, was probably unavoidable.

"We have about 6,000 adult volunteers in central Ohio, and 99.9 percent of them are outstanding people," he said. "It's possible for one to fall through the cracks.

"Speer came to us with outstanding credentials. He had worked with retarded children and we had no reason to believe him to be anything but of good moral character."

June 8, 1984

Mr. B W. Ussery
Scout Executive
Central Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL:

Dear Ben:

About a month ago, we received information that an individual by the name of Bryan Douglas Speers had been indicted on charges of rape related to a 11 year old Scout.

We have heard nothing from you since that time. We would like to know what the progress is on this particular situation. We would like to have newspaper clippings and any other material which you have that would give us detailed information concerning the incident. We would also like to know whether this involved only one youth or more than that.

I am enclosing a Confidential Record sheet which I would like to have completed so we can identify Mr. Speers wherever he might move in the country. This is most important if we are to refuse registration at some later date.

Thanks for any help that you can give us at this time.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: East Central Region

READY FOR FILE
JUN 11 1984
DAWN HARDELL

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NEWS ALERT

Date: 3 pm
Time: May 7, 1984

The following information was received from the source indicated and may have possible news or other confidential implications. Details to follow, if required.

Source: Peter Loscocco, PR, Central Ohio Council Telephone: 614-436-7200
(Name and Title)

Address: Columbus, OH 4300

The facts: Bryan Douglas Speer, SM, Troop 684, West Central Training Center,

Columbus, O., indicted on charge of rape based on incident alleged to have occurred

at his home last January and involving an 11-year-old Scout in his troop. Speer is

29, single. Council suspended SM last January. Case hit the Columbus media

last Thursday and Friday with heavy coverage.

ACTION OR RECOMMENDATIONS: Council to send us clips. They have

followed the standard procedures in this matter.

Signed: Barclay B Ollas

Ext: 2271

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COLUMBUS DIVISION OF POLICE Official Report

4-REPORT NUMBER 2328-84

OFFENSE ☒ C.I. ☐ 2-DATE REPORT TAKEN JAN. 15, 1984 3-TIME REPORT TAKEN 5:05 P.M. 5-COMPLAINT NUMBER 15673

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ABLE TO CONTACT WITNESS #1

JUVENILE BUREAU ADVISED

REPORT REWRITTEN FOR CLARIFICATION

OFF L. GRIMM # 782

33-VEHICLE/PROPERTY DESCRIPTIONS SERIAL NOS. ETC. 34-LIST TOTAL VALUE ON LINE 33

35-CASH VALUE OF STOLEN PROPERTY 36-VALUE

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37-PROPERTY DESTRUCTION

38-DATE 1-15-84

39-PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE 40-TO FILE

41-REPORTING OFF. 42-ASSIGNED 43-REV. OFF. 44-SUPERVISORS APP.

45-DATE 1-15-84

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Thursday, May 3, 1984

Ex-leader indicted in Scout rape

By Rick Bryant

Dispatch Police Reporter

A former scoutmaster has been indicted on a charge of rape in connection with the molestation of members of his Boy Scout troop, including some who are mentally retarded, Columbus police said today.

Brian "Doug" Speer, 29, of 791 S. Champion Ave., who also worked for five years in caring for severely handicapped children, was indicted by the Franklin County grand jury on a single count of rape.

Police said the charge stems from a Jan. 17 incident in which Speer invited a 10-year-old Boy Scout to spend the weekend at his home and "engaged in (oral) sexual conduct" with him.

THE BOY, who is not retarded, was one of at least four Boy Scouts police said Speer sexually assaulted during the past year and a half. Police said the other victims are mentally retarded.

Juvenile Officer Evelyn Baldridge, who did a two-month investigation of the case, said, "the scoutmaster was taking them on hiking and camping trips, then raping them. He also took some boys home and had sexual conduct with them."

Baldridge said police filed a charge in only one case because at least three other victims are so badly retarded that they are unable to testify against Speer in court.

BALDRIDGE SAID Speer confessed to police to "at least four cases" of raping children.

When the 10-year-old victim later told his parents what happened, they called police and an investigation was launched, Baldridge said.

Speer served two years as scoutmaster for Troop 684, sponsored by the West Central Training Center, a treatment center run by the Franklin County Board of Mental Retardation. The center is located at Central Ave. and Town St.

Speer resigned as scoutmaster in January, Baldridge said.

FOR THE past five years Speer's occupation was caring for severely retarded children at Heinzerling Memorial Foundation, a residential treatment center at 1800 Heinzerling Dr. on the West Side. Speer resigned his job in January when the police investigation began, said Chris Rafeld, director of programming at Heinzerling.

Rafeld said Speer had never been suspected of molesting children at the foundation.

The indictment was returned April 13. The next day Speer pleaded not guilty to the charge, and a public defender was appointed to represent him.

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Rape suspect seemed to

By JIM DILLON
C-J Staff Writer

When Brian Speer became scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 684, he appeared to be a natural leader for the mentally retarded and unimpaired boys that composed the troop.

Officials of the West Central Training Center, which is operated by the Franklin County Board of Mental Retardation and sponsored the troop, had vouched for Speer's belief in God, good moral character and general leadership qualities.

Speer was no stranger to the

challenges of working with mentally retarded boys. As a direct care assistant at the Heinzerling Memorial Foundation, a residential treatment center for severely retarded children, Speer bathed, dressed, fed and instructed such children.

"We had every reason to believe that Brian Speer was a top-notch leader and person," said Peter Loscocco, spokesman for the Central Ohio Council of the Boy Scouts of

America. "He came highly recommended and appeared to be perfect for the job. He worked with retarded children on the professional level."

So local scouting officials were "shocked, angered and dismayed" yesterday after they learned Speer has been indicted for raping a 10-year-old member of the troop.

And a Columbus police juvenile bureau detective said Speer has admitted that he sexually assaulted other members of the troop on camping trips and when boys visited his home.

As a result of Speer's indictment, Loscocco said, local scouting officials are going to review and strengthen the certification process for scoutmasters.

Fri., May 4, 1984

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be natural scout leader

"I think it's very unfortunate that the alleged actions of one individual cast a shadow on the entire organization," Loscocco said. "But once in a great while, we do have a problem."

Speer, 791 S. Champion Ave., became a problem for the Boy Scouts, the county mental retardation board and the Heinzerling Foundation in January when police began investigating a complaint that he performed oral sex on the 10-year-old boy at his former home, 680 S. Champion Ave., Apt. B.

According to a report filed with

police, the boy was spending the weekend at Speer's home with another boy. During the stay, Speer, undressed the boy and performed oral sex on him, the report said.

Police Juvenile Bureau detective Evelyn Baldrige began to investigate the complaint. Speer then promptly resigned as scoutmaster and gave up his job at the Heinzerling Foundation.

During her two-month investigation, Mrs. Baldrige talked with Speer several times, and Speer ad-

mitted he had taken at least four members of the troop on hiking and camping trips, then raped them. Mrs. Baldrige said.

"It's odd, but he was a very personable, straight-forward man," Mrs. Baldrige said.

A county grand jury returned the rape indictment against Speer April 13. The next day Speer pleaded not guilty and was released on his own recognizance. He is scheduled for trial June 12.

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